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c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 112 rejection, claim 2.

Identification of prior art discussed: ..

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

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(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative and the Examiner discuss the 112 rejection in reference to Fig. 2 and the Specification pages 12 and 13. Applicant clarifies that in Fig. 2, after detecting an external apparatus can copy data in step S4, it outputs no data in S5 means output no digital audio data (refers as audio data) but it still would output the analog audio signal (refers as audio signal). Amended portion of claim 2 has been discussed and Applicant's representative agrees to consider amending the claim to clarify the features being discussed in the 112 rejection and Fig. 2. .